sar's Return."

OF CHILDREN'SIGUARDIANS.

Wards Now Under Control Number

Over Seven Hundred-The

Appropriations.

Two meetings of the board of children's

guardians were held in December because

of the amount of business to be transacted,

and a third has been called. Those so far

held were attended by Mrs. J. W. Babson,

retary B. Pickman Mann and other mem-

bers, Messrs. William J. Miller, Thomas E.

Sewell and Rev. Louis Stern, and the first

Mr. George S. Wilson. Mr. Wilson was in-

vited to take part in the discussion of mat-

The expenditures for the first five months

ratio of the appropriations made for the purpose, a revision of rates paid to several

institutions and private parties was dis-

cussed, and a committee was instructed to

consult with the judges of the committing

courts, This committee reported progress

in its consultations, and that so far as it

had progressed it was held that the law

contemplated the imposition of certain work upon the board which no other

agency could perform, and which the board

could not and should not avoid, whatever

its appropriations may be. The courts are bound to dispose of the children who are

brought before them in the manner pro-

of the children and the community.

vided by law, and intended for the welfare

board is the proper agent of the courts in

giving the necessary care to the children, and is bound to receive and provide for

children committed to it. It is not believed

to be the intention of the Congress to re-

fuse the appropriations which are found

to be necessary, although in almost every

past year less has been appropriated in ad-

to be advisable. An arrangement was made

with the Manassas Industrial School to

take a few children at rates lower than

those paid for the same elsewhere. Other

The workings of the probation law, passed

last March, result in a very large saving

of expense to other branches of the gov-ernment, although they impose a large in-

crease of administrative work upon the

board, for which no provision was made in

increase of administrative force or appro-

priation, the probation law having been passed after the current appropriation act

structed to formulate a bill for the estab-

The committee on homes and institutions was directed to take into consideration the

suggestion of the reform school for girls that certain wards of the board be com-

Authority was given to the agent in be-half of the board to purchase lots in cer-

tain cemeteries and to make an agreed contract with an undertaker for the burial of

wards of the board who die while under its direct care. Provision is made in indenture

contracts for the burial of wards who die

while in homes in which they are bound out,

The agent was instructed to provide for re-

ligious services, when practicable, in the burial of wards of the board.

and Miss Tustin was designated to be ex-

Agent's Report.

children. Reasons as follows: One aban-

doned; two children of unfit parents; seven

destitute of suitable home, and six al-

without such order, two of whom were re-

supervision, which, added to the ninety from former months, makes, on November

30, 118 probation children under active su-pervision. All these children are visited

regularly and, in most cases, are found

doing well. The agent especially commends

the work in this line of Rev. D. E. Wise-man and Rev. W. J. Howard, his assist-

ants. The probation work is done in be-half of the courts by employes of the

A special instance showing the beneficence

of the work in its relation to children to families, and to the saving of expense to

The physician's report for November

shows twenty children on the sick list, to

whom fifty professional visits were made.

homes; 15 were transferred, or returned, and 2 absconded. Net gain in free homes, 15. Total number transferred from expense to non-expense, 20; 1 absconder recovered

and place on expense, 6 children returned

from free homes. Net gain from expense to non-expense, 13.

Seventeen visits were made to children outside the District, from all of which there were good reports, except in one case. Special recommendations were made in cer-

Mrs. Kate B. Barlow, the visiting in-

spector for the city, has made 201 visits to wards and probation children and to homes

for investigation. She does valuable work for the board, especially among our larger girls, who are somewhat difficult to man-

The Figures.

The total number of wards of the board

is now 796, distributed as follows: In in-

stitutions on expense, 132; in free institu-

tions, 18; in free homes, 471; at large, 44;

in boarding homes, 121. Total, 796. Ten

We have fifteen feeble-minded children

under care at the institution at Falls

Church and twenty-seven at Elwyn.

Maintenance expenditures at annual rate
of \$40,796.76; appropriation, \$30,000.

of \$40,796.76; appropriation, \$30,000.

Administrative expenditures at annual rate of \$6,628.92; appropriation, \$7,000.

The heaviest expenditures come in the latter part of the year.

No deposits of wards money were made in November and but two checks drawn.

Amount to credit of wards December 1,

FELL PROM LADDER.

Laborer in Land Office Sustains Pain-ful Injuries.

Augustus Brown, colored, forty-five years

old, employed as a laborer in the general

land office, fell from a ladder on the 7th

street side of the building about 11 o'clock

this morning while cagaged in cleaning a window. The man dropped a distance of

about fifteen feet, and was rendered un-

The ambulance was summoned and he

was taken to the Emergency Hospital. It

was found that he had sustained several

contusions about the head. The patient re-

gained consciousness, and the doctors say

he will be able to go home late this after-

conscious.

children are on the temporary roll.

the government, was described in detail.

There were no deaths during the month. Thirty-three children were placed in free

of years schooling shall be required.

The executive committee was authorized

ance with the advanced legislation

eral jurisdictions in the United States.

ishment of a juvenile court, in accord-

committee on legislation was in-

reductions to institutions remain under

vance than was needed.

was given its final form.

mitted to that school.

pense, except three.

board.

permanently committed.

consideration.

ters brought before the board.

# LOCAL MENTION.

### AMUSEMENTS TONIGHT.

Academy-"On the Stroke of Twelve." Bijou-The Great Lafayette Show. Chase's-Polite vaudeville, Columbia-The Four Cohans in "The Governor's Son.

Kernan's-Al. Reeves' Company. Lafayette-Bellows Stock Company in "Hazel Kirke." National-James K. Hackett in "Don Cae-

### EXCURSIONS TOMORROW.

Steamer Macalester for Mt. Vernon at 10 a.m. and 1:45 p.m.

Trains leave Pennsylvania avenue and 13% street for Alexandria and Arlington every half hour. Mt. Vernon, hourly, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Steamer Washington for Fortress Monroe

and Norfolk at 6:30 p.m. Cars leave Aqueduct bridge for Arlington

and Fort Myer every half hour; Falls Church hourly. See schedule.

#### AUCTION SALES OF REAL ESTATE, &c. Today.

Duncanson Bros., auets., 9th and D sts. n.w.-Trustees' sale of No. 1255 Kenesaw st. n.w., on Thursday, Dec. 26, at 4:30 p.m. Louis D. Wine and Clarence B. Rheem, trustees.

Thomas J. Owen & Son, aucts, 913 F st n.w.-Court sale of No. 22 D st. s.e., Thursday, Dec. 26, at 4:30 p.m. Jacob H. Duncanson Bros., aucts., 9th and D sts.

n.w.-Trustees' sale of No. 2258 Brightwood ave. n.w., on Thursday, Dec. 26, at 4 p.m. Clayton E. Emig and John Ridout, trus-

### Tomorrow.

Walter B. Williams & Co., aucts., 10th and D sts. n.w.—Government sale of ma-chinery, &c., on Friday, Dec. 27, at 11 a.m., at Bureau of Engraving and Printing, 14th and B sts. s.w.

KEANE'S HOLIDAY EXHIBIT OF CHOICE MEATS IS THE FINEST IN Years. Everyone is invited to see our spe cial holiday exhibit and to inspect the quality of our Washington-dressed Beef and Southdown Lamb. T. T. KEANE, 35-51 Center Market and 9 Wholesale Row.

Oil Heaters, Gas Logs, Gas Heaters, C.A. Muddiman & Co.

FRUIT CAKE, 15C. PER POUND Pound, two for 25 cents. WILKINS, 924 9th.

OUR DETERMINATION To maintain superiority in giving the best values in Teas, Coffees and Sugars is the strongest argument we present for your patronage. C. D. Kenny Co. 50 stores.

FINAL CLOSING-OUT SALE. Great bargains in fine furniture and rugs We must vacate January 1. Don't miss this last chance to get goods almost at your own price. Nothing reserved. Wm. Loewenthal, 7th & Mass. ave. n.w.

HAVE YOU TRIED A POUND of the celebrated Kin-Hee Mocha and Java Coffee? If not you are missing your oppor-tunity. All leading grocers are selling it. B. B. Earnshaw & Bro., wholesale agents.

IF YOU BUY VIOLETS buy the best and freshest without paying description of Malwin, which was f exorbitant prices. I grow them and sell the officers of the several stations, them the day they are picked. J. R. Free man, 612 13th n.w.

Gas Heating Stoves, \$1.25. 616 12th. C.A. Muddiman & Co. 1204 G.

### CITY AND DISTRICT.

Women's Missionary Societies.

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of all the Methodist Churches of Washington district will convene in quarterly session at Douglas Memorial Church, 11th and H streets northeast tomorrow at 10 a.m., for an all-day meeting. Prominent among the speakers will be Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Gallagher and Miss Ida May Durham, also Miss Agnes McAllister of the national board of Methodist missions, who has spent twelve years in Africa and thoroughly understands the work of missions among the poor native races of that country, will be present and speak at 2 p.m.

Keep "Old Braddock" Maryland Rye in the house during the holiday season and you'll have the best of American whis-keys to offer your friends. At all dealers'. -Advertisement.

# Struck by Car.

Fatrick Ryan, a middle-aged white man, was struck by a Brightwood car last evening at Brightwood and received painful injuries about the arms and head. Dr. Chas. Stone of Brightwood attended the injured man in the Brightwood power house, where he had been carefully removed. Later he was brought to the Emergency Hospital. Ryan is employed on Mr. Louis P. Shoemaker's place and at the time of the accident was engaged working about the tracks of the railroad, and, it is said, did not hear the car approaching.

Launching of Battle Ship Missouri. Those desiring to witness the launching at Newport News Saturday morning, Dec. 28 should take Norfolk & Washington steamer leaving foot of 7th st., Friday, at 6:30 p.m., for "Old Point" and Norfolk. Steamer will take passengers over to Newport News Saturday morning and launching may be seen from the decks, without extra cost. State room reservations for round trip may be secured at Gen'l Ticket Office, Bond Bldg.

#### 14th & N. Y. ave., or at wharf. 'Phone 750. -Advertisement. Remains Sent to Old Home.

Tuesday morning at Providence Hospital, were sent to Doncaster, Md., this morning to be interred in the family burial ground. Funeral services were conducted yesterday by Rev. E. Hez Swem at the residence of the deceased's daughter, 615 L street south-east, where the remains had been taken. He leaves seven sons and one daughter.

For the New Year's Table. The centerpiece and other floral decorations

#### are best trusted to Gude, 1224 F .- Advt. Accidentally Shot.

John Newman, colored, twenty-two years old, a resident of Virginia, called at the Emergency Hospital about 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon and asked that he be given surgical treatment. While gunning near Bailey's cross roads he accidentally shot himself in the arm. His arm and hand were so badly shattered that amputation was necessary. Because of the seri-ous nature of the injury the man will probably remain in the hospital for several

Velati's for New Year's Receptions. If you're to receive New Year's order Velati's Bonbons, Chocolates and Caramels for your reception table. Made fresh every day. Two stores, 620 9th and 1408½ G st.-Advt.

# The Municipal Lodging House.

Mr. Thomas W. Gilmer writes to The Star to correct the statement concerning his recent communication to the Commissioners relative to the extension of aid to the poor by the District. The Star's report of his it appear that he suggested that it would be better to expend the \$4,000 annually appropriated for the support of the municipal lodging house in the mainte-nance of a municipal employment bureau. Mr. Gilmer in fact commended the lodging house and suggested that its efficiency be extended by the addition of the employ-

# ment agency feature.

\$1.25 To Baltimore and Return \$1.25 Via Pennsylvania Railroad. Tickets on sale Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 28 and 29, good to return until Mon-day, Dec. 30. All trains except Congressional Limited.-Advt.

Broke His Jaw. Daniel Logan, colored, of 1245% Half street southwest, had a row on the street yesterday afternoon with another colored man, and the latter fractured his law. The blow was delivered with the man's fist. Logan's injury was treated at the Emergency Hospital and the police are looking for his alleged assailant.

Money to lend at 4, 5 and 6 per cent on real estate. Frank T. Rawlings, 1505 Pa. av.

TO INVESTIGATE ASSAULT

WEST'S ASSAILANT. Believed That a Virginia Negro Can Throw Some Light on

POLICE SEEK TO LOCATE EDNA

James Malvin, formerly a resident of Warrenton, Va., is wanted by the police, who think he may be able to give some information in connection with an assault committed on Edna West last night in front of her home. No. 1985 Temperance avenue. The assault was committed on the colored woman about midnight, and she was

in an unconscious condition when found. She was taken to Freedman's Hospital, where the doctors found she was very weak from loss of blood. There were three ugly cuts across the woman's face, extending from over her left eye across her cheek. The doctors worked on the patient all

right long, and at 10 o'clock this morning Dr. Warfield informed Capt. Boardman that the woman had not recovered conscious

As soon as the officers of the eighth precinct learned of the affair they sent the in-jured woman to the hospital. Afterward they investigated the case and then went in search of Malvin. They learned that Malvin had lived in the house of Mrs. West for more than a year, having come here from Sparrow's Point, Baltimore, where he had formerly worked.

Alice Lewis, the widowed sister of Mrs West, and Hanibal Hailstock also occupy rooms in the house. Last night all these people visited friends near 19th and L streets, and it was about 12 o'clock when they neared home. Up to the time they reached 13th and T streets there had no been an angry word spoken. Malvin and Mrs. West, who had walked together entered Temperance avenue from 13th street, while the other couple went to the 12th street entrance to the short street. The latter couple reached home first, and when the others had not reached there twenty minutes later Mrs. West instituted nquiries concerning the whereabouts of her sister. Hailstock was unable to answer the woman's interrogatories. He said that he thought she might have stopped at the use of a friend with her companion. A few minutes later Mrs. Lewis heard a peculiar noise in front of the house, and pening the door she saw her sister on asphalt pavement bleeding profusely. Mrs. Lewis and Hailstock picked up the in-jured woman and while they were carrying her to the house Malvin appeared. He soon hurried away. Two hours later the injured woman was removed to the hos-

During the investigation of the case the police learned that a gold watch had disappeared from Malvin's room yesterday, and they think he may have quarreled with the woman about the timepiece. The woman's injuries, it is thought, were made with a This afternoon the doctor attending her

said she was partly conscious, and he expressed the belief that she will recover. The doctor questioned her, but she remembered nothing about the assault. Detectives Browne and Lacy have been detailed on the case. They obtained a good description of Malvin, which was furnished

#### MRS. DENNIS' CONDITION.

Continues to Improve but Makes No Statement. Mrs. Ada Gilbert Dennis, who was so

seriously and mysteriously assaulted at her home on K street more than two weeks ago, continues to improve. It was stated this afternoon that her mind was clear and that she was apparently fully conscious. She has not yet made a statement concerning the assault which is of interest to the police.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return via B. and O. R.R. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 28 and 29, tickets good returning until follow-ing Monday. Good on all trains except Royal Limited.-Advt.

## Ordered by Commissioners.

The District Commissioners have ordered that the roadway of D street northeast between 14th and 15th streets be graded by the chain gang at an estimated cost of \$700, chargeable to the current appropriation for grading streets, alleys and roads. That the offer of J. F. Blundon to raise the roadway of 87th street between New Cut road and the Tenleytown road at Schneider's lane with stone, broken asphalt, gravel and broken stone dust, the inches of the finished surface, and any stone placed below three inches of the finished crown to be broken to a size of three inches, for the sum of \$500, is hereby accepted.

That the roadway of Duncan street northeast between 14th and 15th streets be graded by the chain gang at an estimated cost of \$1,400, chargeable to the current appropriation for grading streets, alleys and roads.

That 750 feet of six-inch water main be laid in Blair road north from Chestnut avenue, at an estimated cost of \$675, and that one fire hydrant be erected, at an

That the order of June 24, 1899, directing that gutters be paved on both sides of Morris road from Monroe street eastward and the roadway shaped up, at an estimated cost of \$250, chargeable to "repairs to roads, 1900," is hereby canceled.

### East Capitol Street Branch Office. For the benefit of residents in the eastern

part of the city The Star has opened a branch office at Haley's drug store, corner of 9th and East Capitol streets, where clas-The remains of Charles Gilroy, who died selved at regular rates. Wanted Help and Wanted Situations cost one cent a word.

# Midwinter Carnival.

Washington Lodge, No. 15, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. will hold a midwinter carnival for two weeks, beginning February 5, at Convention Hall, Great preparations are now in progress to make it an entertainment that will be popular and amusing to their many friends and patrons. Washington Lodge of Elks is noted for its charity, and this midwinter carnival will be given for the benefit of the charity fund to enable the lodge to take care of the many cases of sickness and distress in our community.

A strong committee is already at work to

make the affair a success in all particulars. The executive committee has contracted with the Bostock-Ferari Midwinter Carnival Company to assist them.

Improved Service West-B. and O. R.R. Under recent change of schedule, train leaving Washington 6:20 p.m. (daily) arrives in Chicago in time to connect with "crack' of western roads, including "Overland Limited" and "California Limited." giving quick service to all Pacific coast and intermediate points. Also splendid service and good connections to points east of Chicago.-Advt.

#### Election of Golden Cross Officers. Trinity Commandery, No. 522, United

Order of the Golden Cross, has elected the following officers: Walker R. Hopkins, N. C.; Ethel M. Pattee, V. N. C.; Alice M. Lakin, W. P.; E. J. Pattee, K. of R.; F. R. Sparks, F. K. of R.; George B. Rose, T.; W. D. Denham, W. H.; Mary K. Reinburg, W. I. G.; J. E. Benjamin, W. O. G.; trustees, Dr. George W. N. Custis, Edward Rorison and Dr. Fisk Elgin; representative to the Grand Commandery, Susan A. Langley; alternate, Emma S. G. Pattee; auditing committee, G. W. N. Custis, D. H. Borches and Edward Rorison.

#### Abandoned Well. Edward Whalley of 1218 Georgia avenue

southeast has written to the District Commissioners calling attention to the fact that an abandoned well has caved in next to his house. An inspection was made by the office of the inspector of buildings, and it was reported that the well is not a menace to the neighboring property. In regard to the matter Inspector Ashford says: "The fourth section of act of Congress approved March 1, 1899, provides a penalty after five days' notice to the owner of 'any unin-closed lot or parcel of land' who shall fail or neglect to properly abate the nuisance of a dangerous well or cistern. As this well is in an inclosed yard, protected by fences, I am of the opinion that I cannot inforce an order at variance with the terms of the above-mentioned act."

#### AFFAIRS IN GEORGETOWN. Xmas Aftermath Culled in the West

End. Mrs. Mary A. Cannon, widow of the late Martin A. Cannon, died suddenly Christmas eve at her home, 3400 M street. Heart dis ease was given as the cause. It is said that Mrs. Cannon was engaged in trimming a Christmas tree for her two little children, when she was fatally stricken Deceased was thirty-six years of age, and survived her husband about one year. The funeral will take place tomorrow morning at 8:30 o'clock from John B. McCarthy's undertaking establishment, the cortege proceeding to Trinity Church, where a mass of

requiem will be chanted at 9 o'clock.

The Sunday school of the West Washing-Mrs. Charles Moore, President James B. T. Evangelical Lutheran Church enjoyed Tupper, Vice President John F. Cook, Seca fine Christmas program last night. The Sunday school of Grace Church also held its Christmas exercises last evening in the main church, the children and parents turning out in large numbers. A gift was made by the secretary of the board of charities, to each child. The Sunday school celebraof the West Street Presbyterian Church will be held tomorrow evening at 6:30 o'clock. The children of the Congress Street M. P. Church will also hold their celebration on the same evening, a full fledged Santa Claus being in the program to disof the present fiscal year for the maintetribute the gifts to all good children of the nance of children committed to it by the courts being found to be in excess of the

Twenty-seven arrests were made yesterday at the Georgetown police station, nearly all of which were recorded before 6 o'clock in the evening. There were very few collateral cases, and as a result the Black Maria had a full load. All of the cases were for misdemeanors, sixteen being for disorderly conduct and five for assault and battery. There were only four arrests made for intoxication.

Mr. Theodore McGirr, formerly of Dum-barton avenue, but now of New York, who has been in town for a brief visit, left for his home this afternoon. Mr. Thomas Fullalove is in town on a visit for the Christmas holidays. Policemen Englehart and Walsh are off

duty, being on the sick list.

Lorenzo Jordan, a young colored man, was found in an unconscious condition yesterday afternoon in Jones' alley. He was removed to the Georgetown University Hospital in the patrol wagon. Some unknown person turned in a false alarm yesterday afternoon shortly before 4:30 o'clock, from box 72, the engines responding. The police are looking for the

# WEEK'S HEALTH REPORT.

Marked Decline in the Mortality of the District.

There was a decline in the mortality of the District during the week ended Saturday last of over 21 per cent, as compared with the previous week. From 110 the number of deaths fell to 86, of which 52 were white and 34 colored. The death rate for the whites was 14.05, for the colored 20.45, and for the whole population 16.03. In the corresponding week of last year the deaths numbered 108, representing a death rate of 20.15. The mortality from apoplexy fell from 7 to 2, heart diseases from 10 to 6, kidney affections from 9 to 5, and that among children under 5 years old from 22 to 18, and those under 1 year of age from 19 to 11. From consumption the deaths increased from 15 to 17, and pneumonia from 7 to 11. There were 2 fatal cases of typhoid fever and 3 of diphtheria. By violence there were 7 deaths; 1 suicide by inhalation of illuminating gas, 1 homicide by gunshot and 5 accidental deaths. Of these 1 was by fracture of femur, 1 contusion of hip, 1 steam railway accident, 1 burned by gasoine and 1 by a fall.

At the close of last report there were 35 cases of diphtheria in quarantine. During the week 17 new cases developed and 10 were discharged, leaving 42 cases in isolation in 27 premises. Of scarlet fever there were 45 cases in quarantine at the close of the last report. During the week 6 new cases were reported

and 13 were discharged, leaving 38 cases with warning cards in 33 uremises. The mean weather conditions prevalent during the week were: Temperature of the atmosphere, 23 degrees; relative humidity, 66 degrees, and barometer, 30.10. was a rainfall of 1.40 inches, with northwesterly winds averaging 9 miles per hour and reaching 38 miles per hour on the 15th. The maximum of the thermometer was 64 degrees, on the 15th, and minimum, 10 degrees, on the 21st.

## SHOT FROM AMBUSH.

Mystery Surrounds the Wounding of a Brakeman.

Frederick Marshall, a brakeman employed by the Southern Railway Company, was brought here on a train from Strasburg, Va., about 11 o'clock last night, suffering from a gunshot wound of the abdomen. There were twelve perforations in his intestines, and his condition was so serious that he was thought to be dying when he reached the city.

Policeman Sears, who is stationed at the Baltimore and Potomac depot, summoned an ambulance, and the wounded man was conveyed to Garfield Hospital.

Dr. J. Ford Thompson performed an op-eration on the patient, remaining at the hospital with him for several hours. The doctor found the man in an extremely critical condition.

Marshall's home is at Burke's Station,

Va. While he was at Strasburg waiting for his train to be made up yesterday he was shot. The shooting, it is believed, was accidental.

A young woman was shooting at objects from a window, and it is believed that a bullet from her pistol inflicted the wound. However, other parties were about the scene of the shooting, and it is possible that the shot was fired by one of them. This morning the patient was resting well, but the doctors say that his chances for recovery are not very encouraging.

# FUNERAL OF W. R. EARL.

Laid to Final Rest in Oak Hill Cemetery.

Funeral services were held this afternoon at 3 o'clock over the remains of Mr. William Rawlings Earl, who died Monday night at 8:30 o'clock of typhold fever. Short services were held at the home of the deceased, 912 23d street northwest, at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, only the immediate members and relatives of the family being present. At Oak Hill Chapel Rev. Gerhart Wilson, pastor of the Western Presbyterian Church conducted services at 3 o'clock. Interment was at Oak Hill cemetery.

The pallbearers were Dr. F. L. Biscoe, Mr. Earl Biscoe, Mr. Frank Biscoe and Rudolph Bartle, cousins of the deceased; Mr. Howard Fisk and Mr. Ned Johnson. The flowers were many and beautiful and completely covered the casket.

Mr. Earl was the only son of Mr. Charles H. Earl of the Treasury Department and Mrs. Jennie S. Earl, and was twenty-six years of age. He was assistant secretary of the Letter Carriers' Association of this city, and secretary to Mr. Edward J. Cantwell, editor of the Postal Record, for the past three years. Last July he contracted typhoid fever, and, together with other complications which set in, prevented his complete recovery from the fever. He had been an invalid since that time, and two weeks ago he received another setback, from which he never rallled. The deceased was at one time connected with H. M. Martin and Westcott & Wilcox, real estate brokers, and held high positions of trust with each firm. Mr. Earl was a member of the Western Presbyterian Church, and took an active interest in the affairs of the tian Endeavor Society and the Young Men's Christian Association, and was an ener-getic worker in both organizations. He was a very studious young man and had a bright future before him. He was popular and well liked by all who came in contact with him, and enjoyed a large circle of friends in this city and also among the

What you pay for extracts is important, but what you get for your money is ten times more important. Burnett's Vanilla costs more because it is worth more.-Advt. Asks a Divorce.

ousiness men.

In a petition for divorce filed today in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia by Martha D. Schlosser against Robert F. Schlosser, it is charged that April 22. 1808, while Mrs. Schlosser was ill, her husband wilfully deserted her. When last heard from he was at Manila, Philippine Islands. In addition to a divorce Mrs. Schlosser asks that she be authorized by the court to resume her maiden name, Sweeney. She is represented by Attorney Campbell Carrington.

those who assisted in removing Brown thought he was dying.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return via B. and O. R.R. Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 28 and 29.—Advt.

CARE OF CHILDREN

They Will Call on Mr. Roosevelt New Year Day. BUSINESS TRANSACTED BY BOARD

President Roosevelt is an active member of the Spanish War Veterans, his name being on the rolls of Theodore Roosevelt Command, No. 10, of New York city. Consequently the Spanish War Veterans of Washington are making arrangements to turn out in force on New Year day to pay their respects to him. Commander Lee M Lipscomb has issued the following general orders:

SPANISH WAR VETERANS.

"The Corps of the District of Columbia National Army of Spanish War Veterans, will assemble at Spanish War Veterans Hall, 612 E street northwest, on January 1, 1902, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of paying their respects to Comrade Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United

"All honorably discharged soldiers of the Spanish-American war, the incident war in the Philippines and the China campaign are cordially invited to participate.

Members of the organization of Spanish War Veterans will wear their distinctive uniform of blue and gray, or their service uniforms, with campaign hats and white gloves. Those not members of the association are requested to wear their ser-vice uniforms. Those without uniforms will wear dark clothes. All must white gloves. No side arms. The order is signed by Aid-de-camp John J. Duffy, acting corps adjutant.

PUBLIC USE ONLY.

District Telephones Not to Be Used for

Private Business. The District Commissioners have approved an order suggested by the electrical engineer to be issued to all the departments of the District service stating that the telephones in the various District offices are intended for public business only, and must not be used for private business. Commissioner Ross hesitated at first to approve the recommendation of the electrical engineer, taking the ground that a peremptory order might sometimes cause great embarrassment, especially when friends calling upon the Commissioners might desire to use the telephone. Upon the scope and intent of the order being ex-The National Junior Republic accepted a reduction in the rates paid to it for care of wards of the board. No reduction at the children's temporary home was found plained personally, however, by the electri-cal engineer, Mr. Ross approved it. In support of the recommendation the

engineer stated that the operators at telephone headquarters report that a great deal of private telephone business s now carried on between the various District offices, including the police, fire and school departments, having telephones on the District lines and the telephone company's exchange lines, so overloading the trunk lines connecting the two switchboards as to seriously interfere with the

### Hotel Arrivals.

Raleigh-A. C. Braxton, Staunton, Va. George L. Morton, Wilmington, N. C.: H. B. Spencer, St. Louis; Arnold Rink and wife, London; Josiah Quincy, Boston; R. P. Chaw, Charleston, W. Va.; Lewis Parker, R. J. Mulford, and wife, New York; Mrs. G. H. Mosley, Buffalo, N. Y. Ebbitt-William Weil, Altoona. Pa.: H.

C. Hunt, Asheville, N. C.; E. P. Cohen, New York; J. M. Kelley, U. S. A.; E. Almoney; Baltimore. Metropolitan-C. B. Lanahan, Pittsburg; J. H. Rowlett, A. R. Allen, Addison Mau-

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Brett, Cleveland, Ohio; E. P. Shellenberg,
Detroit, Mich.; W. J. Wilson, Philadelphia; increased, to date from December 1, 1901. James C. Cox and wife, Rochester, N. Y.; Dr. J. L. Jenning and wife, Danville, Va.; E. K. Palmer, Columbia, S. C.; A. G. New-The agent's report for the month of November showed that ninety-five cases received attention. Sixteen children were ton, Los Angeles, Cal.; Charles C. Higpermanently committed, all being colored

Not the Medical Society of the D. C.

gins, Yokohama, Japan; George A. Alder-

man, Charleston, S. C.; George E. Lake,

leged to be incorrigible. All placed on ex-To the Editor of The Evening Star: Five names were added to the temporary roll, two by order of the court, and they Will you kindly permit me to make a correction? A statement appeared in your are still under temporary care, and three paper of today purporting to be a communication from the Medical Society of the turned to relatives, and one subsequently District to the board of education in regard Thirty children were placed under the care of the board under the probation act. to the medical inspection of schools. From the statements made and signatures appended it would seem clear that the com-On the first of November 103 probation children were under active supervision. The munication was from the Washington Homeopathic Medical Society, and this fact probation terms of eleven expired during November, one died, one sent to relatives should be understood, because the Medical Society of the District of Columbia, so out of the city, so that there were ninety children under active supervision from former months. Of the thirty committed named in the charters of incorporation 1819 and 1838, did make a communication to during November, one was sent to jail bethe board of education relative to this sub-ject, but of a materially different tenor. cause over the age, one had his fine paid and twenty-eight new ones remained under

D. S. LAMB, President Medical Society of the District of Columbia

# Notes From Fall Church.

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star. FALLS CHURCH, Va., Dec. 26, 1901. Mr. Olin H. Davis, a young man just twenty-one years of age, died Tuesday afternoon of consumption. He was a member of Capt. J. E. Willard's company, 3d Virginia Regiment, during the Spanish war, and more recently connected with the Naval Reserves, being attached to the U.S.S. Fern. He leaves a mother and sister.
At the meeting of Pioneer Lodge of Good
Templars, Tuesday night, Mr. J. M. Thorne
and George W. Hawxhurst were elected delegates to the state convention of the Anti-Saloon League, which meets in Richmond, January 16. Miss Ruth Thorne was installed as assistant marshal, and Miss Laura Summers, Miss Nellie Hawxhurst, Mrs. M. M. Erwin, Mrs. J. D. Figgins and Mr. W. E. Parker were appointed a com-mittee to purchase a piano for the lodge. Mr. J. M. Thorne made an address.

Miss Katie Dodge, teacher in the public school, gave a party Monday night to the pupils in her department and a pleasant evening was spent by the children

The Christmas entertainment of the Sun-day school of the Presbyterian Church took place Tuesday night, in charge of Mr. E. C. Hough, superintendent, and consisted of songs, recitations, etc., by the children. The pastor, Rev. R. A. Davison, was the recipient of a purse of \$75, and the organist, Miss Hawxhurst, \$25.

At the Baptist Church last night a cantata was rendered, the exercises being in charge of Mr. G. E. Hild, superintendent. Congressional Library Musicale.

The musicale at the Congressional Library tomorrow will be given by Mr. Angelo C. Fronani, Miss Florence Stevens, Miss Florence Wieser, assisted by Mrs. The program is as follows: Trio andante.

Rheinberger; song, pastorale; violin solo, andante from concerto, Mendelssohn; piano solo, (a) Pappillon, Lavalle; (b) Mazurka, Chopin; (c) Fete au Madrid, Thome; song, pastorale, Nevin; trio adante et scherzo, Von Weber. Found Dead.

Everett Erhardt, five months old, was

#### found dead in bed at the home of his father, John Erhardt, No. 411 Harrison

street, Anacostia, about 7:30 o'clock this morning. Coroner Nevitt 'examined the congestion of the lungs. CITY ITEMS.

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SOUGHT SOLACE IN DEATH

FORMER COLORED MINISTER COM-MITS SUICIDE IN HILLSDALE.

Cut His Throat With a Razor in a Stable Immediately in Rear of His Home.

John M. Shippen, colored, who was formerly a minister, fifty-four years old, committed suicide this morning about 9:30 o'clock by cutting his throat with a razor The deed occurred in one of the stalls of a stable in the rear of his premises on Nichols avenue, Hillsdale. He was discovered a few moments after the commission of the act by his wife, Mrs. Eliza Shippen, who, noting his absence from the house, went to the rear yard to ascertain his whereabouts. She heard growns proceeding from the stable, and on entering found her hus-band prostrate on the floor with a large wound in his throat, from which the blood was pouring freely. Life was not quite ex-tinct when Mrs. Shippen found the body, but the unfortunate man was unable to speak a word.

Mrs. Shippen immediately summoned assistance and Charles Helm, a twelve-year-old colored lad, responded. He was sent to notify the authorities of the occurre Officers W. E. Stewart and T. A. Lusby answered the summons, with Sergeant W. T. Anderson. They took charge of the stable, and no one was allowed to enter the place. In the meantime the coroner had been notified. The police were satisfied from their in

spection of the stable that Mr. Shippen had undoubtedly committed suicide. A pool of blood rested in one corner of the stall, the sides of which bore many spots of the same, while on one corner of the place there was the imprint of the bloody fingers of the dead man, made as he had clutched the boards in his fall. Officer Lusby found a razor lying near the body. It was identified as belonging to Henry Shippen, one of the sons of the dead man. Mrs. Shippen was so overcome with grief

by the sad occurrence that she was scarcely able to tell the officers her story. The Shippen family is a well-known one in Hillsdale, and some of its members occupy positions outside of this city, it is stated. They were not disposed to discuss the matter at all. For a month or more the deceased min-ister, it was learned, had been under the care of Dr. Richard A. Pyles of Anacostia.

He was troubled with nervous attacks, and was frequently in despondent moods. In his conversation recently he was wont to refer often to some alleged injustice done him in a recent business transaction, the details of which have been gossip around Hillsdale for some time. The me the dead man's family attribute his act to despondency. The news that Mr. Shippen had commit-ted suicide spread quickly throughout the village, and a crowd of curious people soon gathered about the premises, among which were a number of the dead man's friends, who, being told of his condition, could as-

cribe no cause for the deed. Mr. Shippen had not followed the ministry for some time. He was a graduate of the theological department of Howard University. He left Hillsdale with his family about twelve years ago, it is said, and received an appointment as pastor of a Presbyterian church in South Hampton, N. Y. He returned to his old home three years ago, and went in the grocery business on Nichols avenue, following the business up to the time of his tragic end. He has always shared in the work of the Citizens' Association and at the recent opening of the A widow and eight children survive him. Coroner Nevitt viewed the remains of Mr.

Shippen, rendered a certificate of death by suicide and gave permission to remove them. Body Still Unidentified.

Undertaken Lee took charge of the body of George A. Klingler yesterday afternoon and shipped it to the home of his relatives at Schenectady, N. Y., for interment. The body of the woman who was asphyxiated with him in his room has not yet been identified. This afternoon her body was photographed and tomorrow it will be interred in potter's field. Because of the dis-colored and swollen condition of the body it is doubtful if identification is possible.

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